

BAXTER SPRINGS NEWS

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CURRENT COMMENT.

A STATEMENT was made that 2,000 tailors were out of employment in New York because the vast army of wheelmen had ceased to wear flax clothes on Sunday.

GEORGE DE LOZO, a berry picker at St. Joseph, Mich., had a wealthy uncle killed in the St. Louis tornado, and has received word that he has been left a fortune of \$150,000.

THE children's subscription for a monument to the late Eugene Field, the western author, amounted a few days ago to \$284.50, and 1,319 subscribers were reported.

Six people—deserted and discouraged—are all that now remain of the colony of the Vermont and Massachusetts people comprising several hundred families who emigrated eight years ago to Topolobampo, on the Mexican coast.

It is stated that since trees have been extensively planted in southern California the rainfall of the region has become much more uniform and favorable to agriculture. But there are other parts of the state in which the sawmills are wiping out the forests.

It appears from statistics just published that there are about 2,500 news papers and periodicals printed in Paris every week, more than appear in all the rest of France. Of these 107 are political, 106 illustrated, 108 devoted to fashions, 190 to medicine, over 300 to finance and 60 to sports.

COMMENTING on the fact that 6,324,704 persons, or 13 per cent. of the population of Massachusetts cannot read or write, the Boston Herald remarks: "What astonishes one is that no state west of the Mississippi river, with the exception of four southern states, rank as high as Massachusetts in the number of illiterates in its population."

BUTTER-MAKING in one minute, with economy and with many valuable safeguards from disease, as compared with the old-fashioned churning system is something that Consul O'Neill at Stockholm tells of in a report to the state department. This is done by a simple machine known as the radiator. It makes the butter directly from sterilized milk. The machine promises to revolutionize butter-making.

THE newest fad in jewelry is an engraved diamond and a prominent Parisian jeweler has turned out a bicycle scarf pin made out of two single diamonds. The result is an exact representation of a bicycle in miniature made entirely of diamonds. Hitherto it has been considered impossible because no tool could be found hard enough to cut the stone. The use of electricity, however, renders this possible.

GEORGE SIMPSON, aged eight; Robert Simpson, nine; Charles Larson, ten; John Fitzgerald, ten, and Edward Fitzgerald, nine, were locked up at Chicago recently on charges of burglary. The children were the confessed leaders and senior members of a gang of infant burglars to whose doers have been traced several robberies. So skillfully were their work executed that the police inclined to the belief that it was the work of experienced crooks.

A GIANTIC project, that of building a second pipe line from the Indiana oil fields to Whiting, Ind., has just been made public. The new line will be 160 miles in length, beginning in the fields of Wells, Blackford, Jay, Adams and Grant counties and extending northwest through Huntington, Wabash, Miami, Kosciusko, Fulton, Cass, Marshall, White, Pulaski, Starke, Laporte, Jasper, Porter, Newton and Lake counties to Whiting, where immense refineries are to be erected at an outlay of several millions. Work on the right of way is being pushed rapidly.

ONE of the most eccentric characters in Indiana is Allison Dewitt, of Battle Ground, an old bachelor, who has lived alone in a little cabin for nearly half a century. Over one year ago he began digging his own grave, which progressed slowly because of his feebleness, and he spent several weeks in walling it up. Then he contracted with a Logansport firm for a suitable monument, bearing his own epitaph, and the stone was recently placed in position. He stipulated that no capital letter must be used on the tombstone save in the word God.

BARTHOLOMEW's statue of Liberty is so badly out of repair that \$150,000 will be required to place it in proper condition. This gigantic work of art France gave to light and ornament the harbor of New York. Instead of inspiring the admiration of the visitor, it gives birth to disappointment. As you pass beneath the first arch the looseness of the brickwork is prominently in evidence. Climbing the stairs, rifts through which the light streams are observed on all sides. Liberty's dress is literally ragged and falling from her, some of the copper pieces of her attire being very loose.

Mrs. HERMAN KRETZ, superintendent of the Philadelphia mint, speaking on the subject of silver coinage recently said: "Since February last the aggregate coinage at all the mints of silver dollars has been about \$3,500,000 a month. All this silver was coined to take the place of Sherman certificates and was not additional to the volume of currency. The mints are now unable to supply the demands for small coin. Should a free coinage law be enacted we would have to equip about a dozen new mints. Our present facilities would not be adequate to coin the silver now in sight in five years."

THE west is not only rich in the precious metals, Senator Teller recently said, but in lead, copper and iron. With immense fields of bituminous and anthracite coal and the finest timber on the continent, it must in time secure its full share of American manufactures. Agriculture must increase correspondingly, and, with the increase of population and wealth, the west will no longer complain of the east, nor will the east treat the west as it has heretofore, as a dependency, and instead of the east and west growing further apart, they will be closer in their relations than ever.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

THE announcement was made at Washington from the state department that President Cleveland intends taking no action with respect to the Cuban revolution.

CONGRESSMAN HERBURN (rep.) has been re-nominated for the Eighth Iowa congressional district.

CHAIRMAN HARRITY and his associates held a business conference in regard to the democratic convention on the 13th. Harrity clings to the hope that the silver men and gold men in the national convention may be more evenly divided than many seem to anticipate. Of one thing Mr. Harrity spoke with a feeling of certainty, and that is that there would be no bolt from the convention.

BOTH houses of congress adjourned at four o'clock on the 11th. No business was transacted in the senate, and the house was practically in the same condition. In the latter body, just before adjournment, Mr. Turner, of Georgia (dem.), offered a resolution of thanks to Speaker Reed, which was adopted by a standing vote, to which the speaker responded in a pleasant manner and the session of both houses closed with the best of feeling.

IT was rumored at New York on the 15th that President Cleveland, Speaker Reed and Secretary Carlisle will form a partnership and practice law in that city after the 4th of March.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND wrote to the New York Herald on the 16th on the outlook of silver and stated that he refused to believe that when the time came the democratic national convention would engraft upon the party's creed a demand for the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver and that the adoption of the proposition would give the republicans a great advantage over the democrats.

THE national republican convention was opened at St. Louis on the 16th by Chairman Carter, who introduced Mr. Charles W. Fairbanks as temporary chairman. After the temporary chairman had made a speech and some routine business had been gone through the convention took a recess till the next day.

SENA TOR BOAR sent a statement to the press from Paris stating he was confident the time was ripe for a settlement of the silver question by the re-establishment of bimetalism by international agreement and with the large co-operation of England.

SENA TOR TURPIE, of Indiana, on the 16th published a statement declining to allow his name to go before the democratic convention at Chicago for the nomination for president.

A call for the national democratic league to meet at Chicago August 11 has been issued.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MONROE JACKSON and J. W. Vest quarreled at Hartselle, Ala., and the former drew a knife and the latter a pistol. Jackson was shot through the body three times and Vest was cut in several places. Both men finally fell to the ground and died soon afterward.

LENNY McKNEW, a hotel proprietor at Washington, and his wife tried to commit suicide by taking laudanum. The husband may possibly recover.

ST. VINCENT'S sanitarium at Santa Fe, N. M., was burned recently. Loss, \$100,000. It was crowded, but no lives were lost.

THE four-story warehouse of the White Mills Distilling Co. at Louisville, Ky., was destroyed by fire recently and 6,000 barrels of whiskey were consumed. Loss, \$125,000.

THE stone bridges of Cristina and Concha and the aqueduct of Fernando Septimo, upon which Havana was dependent for its water supply, were blown up by agents of the insurgents. Much fever and small-pox was existing in Havana and altogether the city was in a deplorable condition. A council of Spanish generals had decided to suspend operations against the insurgents owing to the rains. Gen. Gomez's insurgent force of 5,000 was said to have been defeated by Castallano's troops.

SARAH ANN ANKELL, who alleges she is the widow of the late Jay Gould, has begun suit in New York to recover her dower right in the Gould estate.

SHEP PALMER, a negro, was executed in the city jail at Jackson, Miss., on the 13th for the brutal murder in December last of Charley Cordell and wife, a newly married colored couple.

THE attorney-general of Wisconsin has brought suit to have the franchise revoked and a receiver appointed to wind up the affairs of the National Manufacturing Co., of Dartford, as it is creating, he alleges, a lumber trust extending over Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Ohio and Kansas.

HILL WEST, the notorious Indian territory murderer who escaped from jail at Topeka, Kan., while under sentence of death, was killed at Illinois, Ok., while resisting arrest.

A PASSENGER from Bombay stated that the British warship Bonaventure, while making a passage from Colombo, Ceylon, to Pondicherry, carried 70 men by sunstroke.

TWO business blocks, containing half a dozen stores in Lamar, Col., were destroyed by a fire. The total loss was \$50,000.

JOHN CRAIG was hanged in Folsom (Cal.) prison on the 12th. He murdered his wife, her father and mother and nearly killed young Hunter, his brother-in-law, at Los Angeles about two years ago. The crime had been long promulgated.

FOUR miles north of Courtier Flat, E. T. Jasper Moore killed Dick Graham. Moore is a brother to the girl who was arrested recently charged with killing her child. Moore accused Graham of reflecting on the character of his sister, which led to the killing.

MANY concerns were burned out by a fire at Hico, Tex., recently, including the Hico Review. Loss, \$50,000.

JOHN S. TURNER shot and killed his cousin, Greene Turner, at the Half-Way house, near Middleboro, Ky., recently. Greene's brother, Sam Turner, was killed at the same place ten days ago. All the parties are connected with the Turner family of the Papin-Turner feud. Fifteen of the family have died of violence.

REPORTS from peppermint growers in all parts of southwestern Michigan said that grasshoppers were doing great injury to the crops. In some localities the insects had eaten the entire foliage of large fields. The yield will be considerably less than last year.

HOPS, Ida., was visited by a disastrous fire the other evening, and the loss is estimated at \$100,000. For a time the entire city was threatened with destruction.

ROBERT THOMAS, ten years old, and son of ex-Sheriff Thomas, was drowned in Flint lake, a few miles north of Valparaiso, Ind., while bathing with a party of older boys. He got beyond his depth, was taken with cramps and sank to the bottom.

THE Baroness de Valley was found strangled at Paris. She had been gagged and robbery was the motive. The baroness was 62 years old and said to be a miser.

THE Dixon-Flaherty fight at Boston on the 10th for the featherweight championship of the world was declared a draw after 20 rounds. Both men put up a scientific fight and neither received a scratch.

MORE than a hundred delegates attended the opening of the 31st stated meeting of the supreme lodge A. O. U. W. on the 10th at Buffalo, N. Y. Supreme Master Workman Joseph E. Riggs, of Lawrence, Kan., occupied the chair.

RUFUS BARTLEY, a saddler of Weightsburg, Ky., severed the main artery of his arm while in bed and bled to death. Disappointment in love was the cause.

THE reported bursting of the banks of Congress lake, near Canton, O., and the destruction of two villages, recently telegraphed over the country, was without foundation.

SHERMAN WESTON, while stealing a ride from Staunton to Edwardsville, Ill., on a freight train, jumped off and was horribly mangled.

A LITTLE daughter of Mrs. A. Hatfield, of Roodhouse, Ill., was burned to death through playing with matches.

MRS. MOLLIE GAINES went to the house of Mrs. Robert Gresham, a widow, at Clermont, Fla., and found her husband there. The wife then sprang at the woman's throat with a razor and, after a desperate conflict, the widow had her jugular vein severed and the wife was rendered unconscious by having her skull fractured.

THE steamer Bertha was sunk off Southwold, Eng., by colliding with the steamer Claveler and six of her crew were drowned, the remainder being rescued.

UNKNOWN persons poisoned the wells on the places of Henry Weaver and his son at Weaverstown, Pa., and one child had died and another was very sick through drinking the water.

THE Taylorville, Ill., coal mining works were destroyed by fire on the morning of the 12th and 85 men were entombed. After hours of suffocation, all but three were rescued alive. The fire, which was caused by an explosion of gasoline, spread rapidly through the mine, cutting off the men at work in the lower levels. Twenty mules also perished. The loss by fire will be \$75,000, fully insured.

CHARLES HILDEBRANDT, the well-known sport of Johannesburg, South Africa, has arrived at New York to try and make a match between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. He is ready to put up \$10,000. Should he fail to make a match between the above mentioned pugilists he will try and get up a fight between Corbett and Denver Ed Smith.

THE railway brotherhood of engineers, firemen, trainmen and telegraph operators, which recently moved their headquarters to Peoria, Ill., asked the republican committee on resolutions at St. Louis for an arbitration plank in the platform.

THOMAS WHITE, after a brief quarrel at Chillicothe, O., with Miss Edith McKelvey, his sweetheart, shot her fatally and then killed himself.

THE failures for the week ended June 12 (Dun's report) were 246 in the United States, against 341 last year, and 27 in Canada, against 24 last year.

IT was reported on the 12th that the Turks had pillaged and burned 20 hamlets in the interior of the island of Crete.

A BARREL of oil in the basement of Garishe's bakery at Allegheny, Pa., exploded early on the morning of the 12th and enveloped the structure in flames. Mrs. Garishe, aged 74, jumped out of a window and was instantly killed. The firemen found a dead man in his crib and a 19-year-old girl was so badly burned that she will die.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

MILTON B. WELLS called upon Miss Jennie Walters at Elkhardt, Ind., recently, and soon after he had entered the house he was shot at her twice, the last ball lodging in the base of her brain. He then threw kerosene oil on her and ignited it. The girl managed to get to an adjoining house and the flames were put out, but not before her lower limbs had been terribly burned. She died soon afterwards in great agony. Wells was arrested.

THE sudden appearance of a bicyclist around a turn in a road at Shelbyville, Ind., scared the horse driven by Mrs. Levi McKnight. The vehicle was upset; and she was dragged a quarter of a mile. Her head was crushed to a pulp, and she was dead when found.

J. H. WATSON, roadmaster of the Texas Midland railroad, was accidentally killed by falling off a flat car at Terrell, Tex. Two cars and a pair of trucks passed over him.

ELISHA DUNHAM was showing a pistol to another boy at Hillsboro, Tex., when it was accidentally discharged and the 13-year-old sister of Elisha was killed. The mother of Elisha was confined to her bed with typhoid pneumonia and it was feared that the shock of the killing of her pet child would prove fatal to her.

CARDINAL SATOLLI's successor as apostolic delegate to the United States is to be Mgr. Falconio, titular archbishop of Aversa, according to a semi-official report received in Washington.

A RECENT hurricane at Guthrie, Ok., wrecked the high school building and the state capital grounds, and badly damaged the Episcopal church residence, the Catholic colored academy and many other private residences. There were no fatalities reported.

SHOCKS of earthquake, accompanied by a tidal wave, ravaged the northern part of Japan. Part of Kankamish had been destroyed and 1,000 persons were killed. During 24 hours there were 159 distinct shocks of earthquake.

THE International & Great Northern railroad sheds and roundhouse in Laredo, Tex., were burned to the ground and two coaches, a combined baggage and mail car, Pullman palace sleeping car and engine were also destroyed. The loss is estimated at from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

THE British steamer Drummond Castle, collided on the 17th on the coast of France with an unknown steamer and sank with 144 passengers and 108 officers and crew on board. The Drummond Castle was of 4,800 tons register.

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

State Republican League.

THE ninth annual convention of the state republican league has been called to meet at Topeka July 1. The official call has been issued by President Scott and Secretary Carlisle, and is by authority of the executive committee which met in Topeka last January. The business of the convention will be to elect officers for the ensuing year; to elect delegates to represent the state in the annual convention of the national republican league of the United States which will be held in Milwaukee, August 25-27, 1896, and to transact other business. Each league in the state will be entitled to be represented by its president and three other delegates to be chosen by the club. Among other interesting features of the meeting will be an address by Gen. C. H. Grosvenor, of Ohio.

Miscellaneous.

KANSAS CITY, Kan., under the latest census, has a population of 40,771, a gain of 166 over last year.

THE Western Deaf Mutes' association will have a grand celebration in Milwaukee, Wis., near Lawrence, July 4.

THE firemen's tournament at Weir City closed with the 500-yard championship horse race for prizes of \$150, \$75 and \$25. Weir City won first money; Joplin, second; Webb City, third.

Mrs. Lacy Sheets, a young mother of Lawrence, killed her one-year-old girl baby with an ax the other morning. After the act she seemed unconscious of the deed she had done. She was undoubtedly insane.

A. H. Ellis, republican nominee for congress in the Sixth district, is credited with saying recently that under no circumstances will he support the gold standard and that he will not be bound by a national platform that favors the gold standard.

THE Missouri Pacific Colorado express train was wrecked at Childs about noon the other day. Four trainmen, Engineer Sheehan, Fireman Rhodes, Baggageman Herring and Express Messenger Jameson were injured, the two former being badly scaled.

At the twenty-fourth annual commencement of the state university at Lawrence degrees were conferred on 115 graduates, 56 from the school of arts, 8 from the school of engineering, 14 from the school of pharmacy, 35 from the school of law and 5 from the school of fine arts.

J. W. Rush, manager of the First national bank and late receiver of the Larned Water Works Co., was recently committed to jail by Judge Vandiver, of the district court, for refusal to comply with an order of the court directing him to turn over certain funds which came into his possession as receiver.

Miss Hettie Verry, aged 20 years, daughter of Clark Verry, of Atchison, was drowned in Rock creek, Douglas county, the other evening, while wading in the stream. She was visiting friends at the village of Orr, and was alone when the drowning occurred. Her body was found in seven feet of water.

THE various railway companies, it is said, oppose the idea of making the full annual report required by the railroad commissioners, declaring it impossible, owing to the necessity of collecting special statistics and incurring an enormous expense. They claim that the desired information is not in their possession and could hardly be obtained.

STATE BANK Commissioner Breidenthal has announced that hereafter he will institute prosecutions against bank officials who make false statements pertaining to the condition of their business to the commissioner. This has never been done, but a number of such transactions having recently been discovered by the commissioner he feels that it is time to put a stop to it.

THE Kansas delegation to the national republican convention met at St. Louis and elected Cyrus Leland national committee-man by acclamation. Convention resolutions, Resolutions, Prof. Sewell's order of business, Grant Hornaday; permanent organization, Dr. Fitzpatrick; credentials, I. E. Lambert; state vice president, M. M. Murdock; to notify nominee, N. Barnes.

An even 100 graduates received diplomas at the late commencement day exercises at the Kansas state normal school at Emporia, and each of these diplomas is by law a life certificate to teach school in the state of Kansas, as well as being a first-class recommendation anywhere in the civilized world. Nearly every county in the state of Kansas was represented in this year's class, and quite a number of neighboring states, Missouri and Illinois taking precedence in number.

IT is the desire of the committee of fifteen, having in charge the soldiers' reunion to be held in Topeka from September 28 to October 3, inclusive, 1896, to provide every facility for entertaining the old soldiers and sailors of Kansas. The officers of the various state soldiers' organizations and all organizations of ex-prisoners of war of the state are, therefore, notified that it is the desire of the committee that they arrange for meetings of their various organizations during reunion week, and they are invited to correspond with Thomas F. Doran, secretary of the committee of fifteen, at Topeka, as to desired arrangements.

A meteorite weighing about 50 pounds fell on the Plumber farm, near Effingham, the other night. It was broken, and while the outside of it resembled a cinder, the inside was full of smooth pebbles.

THE populist judicial convention for nominating a candidate for judge of the court of appeals, eastern division, southern department, met at Chanute and named Judge Schoonover, of Garrettsville, for the office.

J. K. P. Barker, one of the leading fruit growers of Wyandotte county, thinks that serious damage will result to the apple and peach crop this year by the ravages of locusts.

John Beauchamp, an employee of an Atchison brick company, was killed the other day by a crushing machine at the plant.

THE Chicago Western railway will soon build a mammoth grain elevator with a capacity of 1,000,000 bushels on the site of its terminal recently purchased at Kansas City, Kan. The elevator will cost \$150,000.

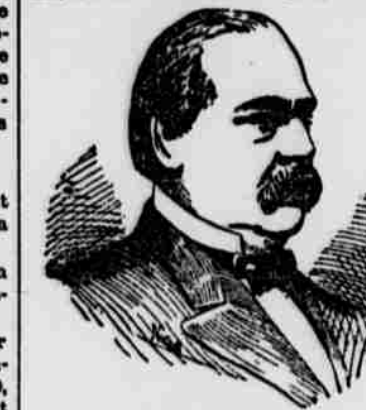
At the 30th annual commencement of the Kansas state agricultural college at Manhattan the graduating class was composed of 23 young women and 45 young men, the largest in the history of the institution.

CLEVELAND ON SILVER.

The President Believes the Democrats Will Make a Great Mistake to Declare for Free Coinage.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—In reply to a request from the New York Herald for a statement concerning the democratic situation, President Cleveland last night sent the following to that newspaper:

I have made no figures as to the probable action of the delegates already chosen, or to be chosen, to the democratic national convention, but I refuse to believe that when the time arrives for deliberative action there will be engrafted upon our democratic creed a demand for the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver. I cannot believe this, for I know the democratic party is neither



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unpatriotic nor foolish, and because it seems clear to me that such a course will inflict a very great injury upon every interest of our country, which it has been the mission of democracy to advance, and will result in lasting disaster to our party organization.

There is little hope that as a means of success the free silver proposition, after its thorough discussion during a political campaign, will attract a majority of the votes of the country. It must be that many of the illusions influencing these now relying upon this alleged panacea for their ills will be dispelled before the time comes for them to cast their ballots, which will express their sober, second thought. The adoption by the democracy of this proposition would, I believe, give to our opponents an advantage, both in the present and future, which they do not deserve.

MAY RETURNS UNFAVORABLE.

Railroad Earnings Give Evidence of Unsatisfactory Conditions.

CHICAGO, June 17.—Returns of railroad gross earnings again give evidence of gradually developing unfavorable conditions. For the month of May the statement of the Financial Chronicle, covering 95,647 miles of road, shows an increase of only \$384,634, or 2.28 per cent. This is the smallest amount of improvement recorded in any preliminary monthly statement since last August, and furnishes a striking contrast with the results for January and February, in which the latter month the largest increase, with one exception, was shown in about four years. In truth, since February the comparisons have been growing poorer every month, just as up to that time they had been steadily growing better. It is a significant fact that nearly half the roads actually report a falling off in earnings as compared with the same month last year.

FOUND STRANDED.

A Passenger Discovered Hanging to a Tree in Kentucky.

GRAYSON, Ky., June 17.—A murder was committed near Denton, Carter county. Winston Fletcher, a pensioner, of Paintsville, was hanged to a tree. The body was found with the feet touching the ground, the neck hung to a low limb. A piece of hickory bark was used as the rope, which strangled him to death. Nelson Stewart, of Denton, was arrested at Ashland, and Jeff Adkins, of Grayson, charged with the murder. The wife of Adkins has been locked up as a witness. The men and woman deny all knowledge of the crime, but it is charged that the murder was prompted by relations imaginary or real between Fletcher and Mrs. Adkins, who was in Carter county, ostensibly visiting friends.

A NOVEL ASSOCIATION.

Mrs. Fannie Mosier Organizing the Wives of Drunkards.

KANSAS CITY, Kan., June 17.—Mrs. Fannie Mosier, of this city, is organizing a society of drunkards' wives, which she expects to soon extend to all parts of the union. At present Mrs. Mosier is the only member of the organization, but she has already donated the costume which her thousands of followers will wear in the future. The costume consists of a plain black skirt, a blue shirt waist and a modest bonnet on the head. Around her waist she wears a belt on which is written in large yellow letters, "The Saloons Must Go." Mrs. Mosier expects to establish headquarters for the organization in all the cities in the United States, where the members can come and do their washing, and be provided with such things as they may need.

HOSTILITIES IN CUBA.

They May Be Suspended During the Summer Months.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—It is understood in diplomatic circles here that the military operations in Cuba will be suspended to a large extent during the summer months, owing to the prevalence of continual rains, which make campaigning difficult and dangerous. The formal military organization will be maintained, but the main bodies on both sides, probably, will await the dry season of the fall before beginning forward movements.

Fall Fifteen Stories.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 17.—The third fatal accident during the erection of the 15-story Park building on the old post office site occurred at noon yesterday. James Brown, a colored laborer, was instantly killed by falling in an elevator from the top story of the building. The elevator car brought up against the ceiling floor with a frightful crash after falling 15 stories. The elevator has been in constant use. It is a temporary affair, built principally for hoisting materials, but the men preferred using it to climbing to the top.

Arlequin Won at Ascot.

LONDON, June 17.—At Ascot yesterday, the Ascot stakes, 1,000 sovereigns, was won by M. Alary's Arlequin. The owner of the horse, who fought a duel in Paris Monday and was wounded in the breast, was able to witness the success of Arlequin.

A Walkover for Handicapping.

NEW YORK, June 17.—It was cold and cheerless at Gravesend yesterday and the racing was uninteresting. The Brooklyn derby was a practical walkover for Handicapping, the others being unable to get anywhere near him any time.

THE BOND ISSUE.

Secretary Carlisle Before the Senate in the Senate Committee.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Secretary Carlisle was examined under oath yesterday by the senate committee appointed to investigate recent bond issues. The hearing was held in the rooms of the senate committee on finance. Senators Harris, Vest, Wall, Hall, Jones, of Nevada, and Platt being present. Mr. Vest began the examination, asking for fuller explanation of the first bond contract with the Morgan syndicate that had been given in Mr. Carlisle's written statement. His main purpose, said Secretary Carlisle, was to prevent the shipments of gold from this country. Mr. Vest asked why the contract had been given to the syndicate, to which Mr. Carlisle replied with an explanation of the great emergency existing which would not permit a delay for the usual formalities of a bond sale. There was much apprehension in financial circles as to the situation, heightened by a visit of Mr. Curtis to New York, which brought out many newspaper conjectures. It was not, however, until the Springer bill, so-called, relating to banking and currency, had been defeated in the house that it became evident that steps must be taken to protect the treasury. The Springer bill was closed the day after the Congress was defeated in the house.

SILVER COINAGE.

The Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint Gives His Views on a Live Subject.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Major Herman Kretz, superintendent of the Philadelphia mint, is in Washington, speaking on the subject of silver coinage. Mr. Kretz said: "Since February last the aggregate coinage at all the mints of silver dollars has been about \$3,500,000 a month. All this silver was coined to take the place of Sherman certificates and was not additional to the volume of currency. The mints are now unable to supply the demands for small coin, both silver and copper. In my judgment the free coinage of silver would result in a financial disaster. There is another problem about it, too, which does not seem to be considered. Should a free coinage law be enacted we would have to equip about a dozen new mints. Our present facilities would not be adequate to coin the silver now in sight in five years. I think a good way to increase the coinage of silver would be to retire all paper currency under \$5. That would put millions more of silver in circulation."

LEGITIMATE ADVERTISING.

Joint Traffic Passenger Lines Will Use Only Newspapers or Periodicals.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 16.—Advertising in trade price lists, amusement programmes or any of the numerous kinds of publications of that nature has been prohibited by the board of managers of the Joint Traffic association. They have made a law that from July 1 no road may publish or participate in advertising in such publications. Advertising must be confined to regular published standard newspapers or periodicals of general circulation, published at regular intervals. Transportation issued on account of such advertising must be confined to the bona fide proprietors, publishers, editors, officers, employees or attaches of such authorized publications and members of their immediate families.

A PROSPECTIVE LAW FIRM.

Rumor That Cleveland, Reed and Carlisle May Close Partnership.

CHICAGO, June 16.—A special from New York says: "A rumor which comes from the offices of a